

Amendments to the Specification:

On page 22 of the originally filed specification, please amend the paragraph starting on line 3 as follows:

A method of transforming a monocotyledon by ~~means of~~ using agrobacterium. There is provided a method of transforming a monocotyledon by ~~means of~~ using agrobacterium containing a desired recombinant gene. This transforming method comprises the steps of sowing a culture medium containing a plant growth factor with a monocotyledonous seed, conducting culturing for 1 to 3 days so as to effect germination and infecting the seed with agrobacterium. This method makes it feasible to rapidly transform monocotyledons, including a rice plant.